of education for a particular region/area and other relevant factors. Central Government do not allocate funds for opening new colleges in States.

Persons below poverty line in Andhra Pradesh

2373. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of persons in Andhra Pradesh are living below the poverty line;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that their number has been increasing day-by-day; if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether any programme has been chalked out by Government to bring them above the poverty line?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) District-wise details of number of persons living below poverty line in Andhra Pradesh are not available.

(c) No, Sir. As per NSS Consumer Expenditure Survey, the number has gone down from 217.4 lakh in 1977-78 to 195.05 lakh in 1987-88 as can be observed from the data given below:

Year	Persons below poverty line (No. in lakhs)
1977-78	217.4
1983-84	205.1
1987-88	195.05

(d) A number of poverty alleviation programmes like Integrated Rural Development Progamme, employment generation programmes, special programmes for the develoment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, etc. are being implemented for alleviation of poverty.

Schemes and Projects for Andhra Pradesh under Eighth Five Year Plan

2374. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any schemes or projects are being formulated in the Eighth Five Year Plan for Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial implications if any thereunder?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) State Plan Schemes for different States are formulated by the State Governments concerned. The plan proposals of Government of Andhra Pradesh for their Eighth Five Year Plan are yet to be received.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Creations of Posts in Universities

2375. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the number of posts, together with their categories, which have been created in various Universities under the University Grants Commission after the new Government took over and what are the names of the Universities where such posts have been created and what arrangements have been made to fill up these posts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): UGC provides deve-